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POWER OF TAMMANY.

SECRET OF THE SUCCESS OF THE
GREAT POLITICAL ORGANIZATION.How It Keeps Its Promises—Its Treatment
of Bright Young Men—Looking After
Material Interests of Members—Keeping
Track of Voters.

[Special Correspondence.]
New York, May 31.—Tammany is the best known local political organization in the world. Leaving aside all considerations of praise or blame, the basic reason for this must lie in the fact that it is the most powerful organization of the kind known. The question is often asked, "Whence does Tammany get this power?" and the answer as often returned is, of course, "From its perfect organization." This answer is a good one as far as it goes, but it is not a definite one. Perhaps if the question is made more definite the answer will be more satisfactory. I put it this way today to a Tammany man:

"What is the key to the marvelous organization of Tammany Hall?"

Key to Its Strength.

His answer was: "Individual enrollment. Every assembly district in the city of New York has a district leader. Every election district in that assembly



district has a captain. It is the business of the captain to personally know the political affiliations of every voter in his district. All the regular Tammany voters are enrolled in every district, and some districts captains go so far as to make careful lists of all the voters and to set opposite their names memoranda which will show the politics of each individual voter and his political history. Whether the captain does this or not, he must be thoroughly familiar with all the voters in his district, and he is held strictly accountable for the vote on each election day. If at any time there is a marked falling off, he must give some explanation that is perfectly satisfactory, or he is likely to lose his place, and that very quickly."

Next to the plan of individual enrollment, Tammany's strength is most strongly buttressed probably by its adoption of the "spoils" principles. I do not mean to use this word here in a sense that would be universally considered offensive, but it is a fact, which good Tammany men, so far from gaining, all assert to be true and uphold, that Tammany looks after its own and does it systematically too. If you are a resident of New York and have been sufficiently identified with Tammany to be considered by your district leader a Tammany man, and that you get out of work, you will find that Tammany will make every effort to give you city employment. It may not be possible to give you the kind of employment you desire, but upon the presentation of your case to your leader he will make every effort to satisfy you. If possible, he will see that you are provided with a situation for which you are fitted, for Tammany likes to have its servants perform their duties well, and it is the rule known and admired by the rank and file of Tammany that once a district leader gives his word as to the obtaining of employment the coveted situation is as good as secured.

Those leaders who are most careful in this regard are always strongest and most certain of retaining leadership. There are undoubtedly several district leaders whose deposition would be more than satisfactory to the higher officials of Tammany Hall, but who retain their places because the voters under them say: "If he says he'll do it, he will. He won't make a promise unless he feels sure that it goes."

Its Leaders and Young Men.
Contrary to the general belief, the leaders are virtually appointed by the voters and not by the higher officials. If in the district containing 100 Tammany voters 55 are dissatisfied with the leader, he must resign, and not all the power of Croker or Kelly in his best days of "bossdom" could keep such a leader in place.

Still another important source of power to Tammany lies in its treatment of newcomers, especially bright young men. If you, being a young man from the interior, come to New York and take up your residence in any quarter of this city, the captain of your election district will possess himself of your name, a knowledge of your general characteristics and your political antecedents and affiliations very shortly after you settle in his bailiwick. If, after investigation, it seems likely that you would be an acquisition to Tammany, your acquaintance will be made, and after a bit, during which time, without your knowledge, you will be on probation, you will be invited to join the local club. If you take an interest in politics, you will sooner or later be asked to take an active part in a local canvass. If your efforts prove to be of value and you desire it, a minor official position will be tendered to you. Once you have reached this point your continued progress in politics and official life will depend altogether upon your own wishes and ability. If you do not care to be an officeholder and your income be large enough to warrant it, you will

be asked to join the general committee of Tammany Hall, a body of voters numbering several thousand, the chief duty of whose members is to contribute annually \$5 each to the fund from which Tammany Hall is ostensibly maintained. The aggregate of the contributions of the general committee is very large. This committee has certain functions to perform besides contributing, but the real policy of Tammany Hall is directed by the organization committee, consisting of about 60 men. By it are chosen the various executive committees of Tammany. The most important is the finance committee. Its chairman is the real "boss." Richard Croker held this post during the period of his supremacy. So did John Kelly and Augustus Schell and all the rest of them back to the days of Tweed. Little is known by those not members of the inside workings of this committee. As all the world knows, those who are opposed to Tammany claim that the mystery surrounding the finance committee exists because its doings would not bear the light. It is not my purpose to discuss this question, but to bring out the fact of Tammany's remarkable organization and in some faint degree to show its basis.

It would not be possible in the space at command to describe in detail the methods by which Tammany keeps track of the voters of New York and by which it is possible for the chief men of the organization to predict in advance with reasonable accuracy the outcome of any election, but one of the most important features may be mentioned. Perhaps a week before election a meeting of district leaders is held at the wigwam on Fourteenth street. This is a most important meeting for the leaders, and their future depends upon the accuracy of their statements then made.

The Tammany society is an entirely different thing from Tammany Hall, as the political organization is known. The society is a small and very wealthy body. It owns the wigwam, as Tammany's four story brick home on Fourteenth street is called, and Tammany Hall, the political organization, has always enjoyed the use of the building rent free. The exact relations of the two organizations are about as incomprehensible to the non-Tammany man as are the relations existing between the federal government of the United States and the governments of the separate states to the average British subject.

The Original Society.
The Tammany society, or Columbian order, was founded in 1789. It is claimed that its original object was to offset in some degree the Society of the Cincinnati, membership in which was allowed to none but officers in the Revolution or their descendants, the basic principle of the Tammany society being the absolute political equality of all voters. The name was taken from that of an Indian chief, "Tammamund." He was sometimes called "St. Tammany," for he is said to have been a good Indian, and his "day," May 12, was celebrated with great enthusiasm in New York during the first years of the republic. The chief officer of the Tammany society is called the grand sachem. It might be possible for the grand sachem of the Tammany society to be a non-Tammany man, politically considered, and I believe this has happened once or twice, though it is not very likely that it will occur again soon. The Tammany society leading feature is, in a way, a mutual benefit organization. It is true, there is no formal insurance feature, but it is also true that the family of no deceased member of the society left without means upon the death of the member has been allowed to suffer.

The Local Clubs.
Returning to Tammany Hall, the political organization, in conclusion some mention should be made of its local branches, or clubs. These are not named Tammany branches, nor is there probably any clause in the constitution of any of them connecting it with Tammany Hall. But the president of each club is usually the district leader, and the closest sympathy is maintained between the main organization and each of the local clubs. It sometimes happens that the president of a club becomes dissatisfied with the general course of Tammany and essays to sever relations between the two bodies. This very thing occurred not long ago in the case of the Harlem Democratic club, whose president left Tammany and succeeded in carrying the club with him. But in a very short time the membership of the club decreased materially, and a new club called the Sagamore arose, to which all the steadfast Tammany members of the Harlem Democratic club now belong.



TAMMANY HALL IN 1811.

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"If you write about Tammany," said the Tammany man from whom I have obtained most of the foregoing information, "you should call attention to the fact, for it is undoubtedly a fact, that the free use of the wigwam by Tammany Hall has undoubtedly contributed as much as anything to the long continued life of the organization. When Tammany has fallen upon evil days—for there have been such times; its treasury has been low, and disorganization has stared it in the face—it has never been necessary to raise money to pay rent, nor have the meetings been shifted about from place to place, as in the case of the County Democracy, Irving Hall and other local Democratic organizations." I. D. MARSHALL.

MRS. LEASE'S HUSBAND

Drawn from His Obscurity by a
Newspaper Correspondent.

HE DOES THE FAMILY HOUSEWORK.

An Old Broken Down Man White
Haired and Fourteen Years Older
Than Mrs. Lease.

A special writer of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch has made a visit to the home of Mrs. Lease at Wichita and given the world a pen picture of Mr. Charles L. Lease, the husband of the noted woman reformer. The Post-Dispatch says:

"When I rapped at the door an old man with long, white mustache, almost as bald as an infant and with only a thin fringe of white hair to protect the back of his neck, responded. He was carelessly and shabbily dressed and there was a week's growth of beard on his face. I told him I wanted to see Mr. Lease."

"That's me."

"So you are Mrs. Lease's husband?"

"Yes, I'm he, or all that's left of him."

I introduced myself and was given a cordial welcome and invited to step in. He gave me the best chair in the house and then sat down and freely answered every question I asked. I grew to like the old chap, he was so genial and kind, anxious, apparently, to make me comfortable and give me all the information I wanted about Mrs. Lease and the family. He got photographs of all except himself, explaining that he had not had a picture taken in many years that he had almost forgotten what a camera looks like. I asked him to go down town with me and have one taken and he said:

"No; just put in mother's and the children and leave me out, and I'll be very much obliged. I don't amount to anything, anyway."

While we were talking I sketched his face as well as I could. He told me everything about himself there is to tell, I should presume, though that wasn't much. He is fourteen years older than Mrs. Lease. He was brought up on a farm near Freeport, Ill., and left home to become an apothecary, finally moving to Kansas, where he married Joan of Arc. He failed in business, and with the failure ambition fled. He impressed me as a man who had been crushed by adversity, and who had not the slightest desire to ever make another effort to get on his feet. He is very proud of his wife and very proud of his children, and unless I am greatly mistaken he will be contented to live always as he is living now, the housekeeper for an ambitious public woman, a mere grain of sand in the desert waste of humanity.

While he was calling the children I took a look through the sitting-room and the parlor. They are plainly furnished, but the general aspect is homelike and everything is as neat as wax. I glanced at the volumes in the book case and found them to be chiefly standard works. Mrs. Lease has certainly selected her books with nice discrimination.

Mrs. Lease's Children.
The children were brought in, the father fairly aglow with pride as he introduced them. Charley, the eldest, a boy of 19, is attending the State University at Lawrence, so I did not see him, but was told by the others, who think he is the smartest boy on earth, that he is studying law and has published several volumes of verses.

Louise comes next, aged 13. She is a second edition of her mother and a wonderful child. She is as ladylike in her deportment as a cultured woman of 30 and she can converse as intelligently and use as good language as many girls who are twice her age. She is the youngest pupil in the high school, and this is her second year. She has read all the works of Dickens, George Eliot, Washington Irving and even Balzac, besides countless others. I asked her what she intended doing when she completed her studies, and she replied that it is her intention to remain in school until she is 32, taking a thorough course in both law and medicine, after which she may follow her mother's course and engage in politics. It amused me much to hear this child talk eloquently and logically on the suffrage question, berating men and lauding women, arguing with me the equal rights of women to ballot on all political issues and to hold office under state and national governments. It was not the parrot-like utterance of most smart children, for she was well equipped to argue every phase of her side of the question. Annie, her sister, or "Jim" as the family call her, is unlike Louise. She would rather ride a bicycle or climb a tree than study, and it is her ambition to be a famous musician and painter. Ben Hur is a bright, roguish boy, as mischievous as any boy can be, yet grave and sedate in addressing strangers. He wants to be an author.

All of the children are devoted to their mother and speak of her as the noblest and grandest woman in the world. If any one has an idea that either of the children or the husband feels that Mrs. Lease neglects them he should spend a morning at their home, as I did, and he will speedily become convinced that he is mistaken. They would like to see more of her, but they think she has far greater duties to occupy her time than attending to their small wants.

I talked with Mr. Lease about keeping house.

Mrs. Lease the Provider.
He said he did most of the work, because he enjoyed it and it gave him something to occupy his time. Louise, he said, helped him with the cooking, but had no aversion to all other kinds of housework, and as she is so much like her mother, and is determined to lead the same kind of life, he doesn't try to coerce her.

"You may think it strange," continued Mr. Lease, "that I am content to stay in the house and do this sort of quiet, humdrum life, but the fact is I am perfectly satisfied. I have had my day in the world, and having made a failure of everything I have undertaken, I want mother to have a show. We are all of us very proud of mother, she is so smart and brainy. We, that is me and the children, think she is the greatest woman in the world, and I guess there are a great many others who think so too."

"And you don't mind her being engaged in politics while you stay at home and do the housework?"

"Not at all. Of course, we would like to see more of mother than we do, for we all love her very dearly, but you see mother belongs to the world now, and if

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she was to spend much time with us she would not be so successful as she is."

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"Yes, she takes good care of us. She gets \$30 a night for lecturing and that is as much as I could earn in a month. But mother is not much in the saving line, because she is so kind-hearted and generous that she gives away most of her money and spends a lot taking care of the people who are sick or out of work. We don't need much here, for we have no rent to pay and our wants are few and small."

Likes to Do Housework.
"Do you like to cook and scrub?"

"Why, yes, I like it well enough. Somebody has got to do it and I had rather do it myself than to have a wasteful, careless servant around. If you write anything about us, please say for me that those stories about mother not being a good housekeeper are all wrong. She is a very orderly woman, is mother, the most orderly woman I ever saw, and she can keep house as good as the best of them. Mother loves us all, too, only she has to go away in order to shine, and we want her to shine and be great and famous."

The old man followed me to the gate and begged me to come again and stay as long as I could.

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WILL GO TO AFRICA.

Miss Belle Bennett to Sell to Cape Town as a Missionary.

Miss Belle Bennett of North Topeka, who has for several years been a teacher in the city schools, and for the last two years principal of Euclid school, left yesterday for New York from where she will sail on Wednesday for Cape Colony, Africa.

Miss Bennett goes to Cape Colony to take a position as teacher of literature in an English seminary under the English government. She has for several months been preparing for this work and although she resigned her position in Euclid school several weeks ago, none but her intimate friends knew she intended going to Africa.

Woman's Republican Association.
The annual meeting of the Kansas Woman's Republican association will be held Tuesday June 5th. Day sessions at 10 a. m. and 2 p. m., at Capital lodge I. O. O. F., 704 and 708 Kansas avenue. The evening session at Hamilton hall on Quincy street, at 8 p. m. Mrs. J. Ellen Foster, president of the National Woman's Republican association, will be present throughout the meetings all of which are free and open to the public.

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